

count of its Rise and Progress;—containing a list of the number of Telegraphic Lines in the World, &c. &c. By Laurence Turnbull, M.D. Lecturer on Technical Chemistry at the Franklin Institute. Philadelphia, 1852. 8vo.—*From the Author.*

Medical Lexicon. A Dictionary of Medical Science: By Robley Dunglison, M.D. LL.D. Prof. Inst. Med., &c., in Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. Ninth Edition, revised. Philadelphia, 1852. 8vo.—*From the Author.*

The American Journal of the Medical Sciences. Edited by Isaac Hays, M.D., &c. &c. No. XLVIII. New Series. Oct. 1852. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Editor.*

The Medical News and Library. Vol. X. No. 118. Oct. 1852. Philada. 8vo.—*From Blanchard & Lea.*

The Plough, the Loom and the Anvil. Vol. V. No. 4. Oct. 1852. N. York and Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From F. G. Skinner, Esq.*

Dr. Elwyn announced the death of the Rev. Dr. Samuel B. Wylie, a member of this Society, who died on the 13th inst., in the 80th year of his age.

Dr. Bache announced the death of Mr. John L. Stephens, a member of the Society, who died in New York, on the 12th inst., aged 47.

There not being a quorum of members present to enable the Society to proceed to the election of members, a recess of half an hour was taken, and there still being no quorum present:—

On the proposition of one or more of the members, who nominated candidates Nos. 284 and 285, their election was postponed to the next stated meeting.

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*Stated Meeting, November 5.*

Present, seventeen members.

Dr. FRANKLIN BACHE, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Letters were read:—

From the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, dated Pesth, 15th March, 1852;—from the Central Commission of Statis-

tics of Belgium, dated Bruxelles, December, 1847;—from Wilhelm Braumüller, book agent of the Imperial Academy of Sciences at Vienna, dated Vienna, 16th Dec. 1851, 20th March, and 24th July, 1852;—from the Royal Society of Sciences of Denmark, dated Copenhagen, 28th May, 1852;—from the Royal Bavarian Academy of Sciences, dated 15th May, 1852;—from the Society of Antiquaries, dated London, August 19, 1852;—severally announcing the transmission of donations to this Society:—and from the Royal Society of Sciences at Göttingen, dated 15th April, 1852, accompanying a donation, and acknowledging the receipt of Nos. 45 and 46 of the Proceedings of this Society: and—

From the Royal Institution of Great Britain, dated Albemarle street, Sept. 3, 1852;—from the Statistical Society of London, dated 4th Oct. 1852;—from the Connecticut Historical Society, dated Hartford, Oct. 4, 1852;—from the New Jersey Historical Society, dated Newark, Oct. 30, 1852;—all acknowledging the receipt of No. 47 of the Proceedings.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

- Á Magyar Tudós Társaság Evkönyvei, III. IV. V. VI. VII. Kötet. Buda, 1837—1846. 4to.—*From the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.*
- Régi Magyar Nyelvelmékek. Kiadta á Magyar Tudós Társaság, I. II. III. Kötet. Buda. 1838—1842. 4to.—*From the same.*
- Abhandlungen der Königlichen Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Berlin. Aus dem Jahre, 1850. Berlin, 1852. 4to.—*From the Royal Academy of Sciences at Berlin.*
- Monatsbericht der Königl. Preuss. Akad. der Wissenschaften zu Berlin. July—Dec. 1851; Jan.—June, 1852. Berlin. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Sitzungsberichte der Kaiserlichen Akademie der Wissenschaften. Phil. Hist. Classe, VII. Band, 1851; 2—5 Heft: VIII. Band, 1852, 1 Heft. Math. Naturwissenschaftliche Classe, VIII. Band, 1, 2, 3 Heft.—*From the Imperial Academy of Sciences at Vienna.*
- Archiv für Kunde Oesterreichischer Geschichts-quellen, VII. Band. 1—4 Heft.

- Kritische Durchsicht der von Davidow verfassten Wörtersammlung aus der Sprache der Ainós. Von Dr. August Pfizmaier.
- Kalender der Flora des Horizontes von Prag. Von Karl Fritsch.
- Tafeln zur Vergleichung und Reduction der in verschiedenen Längenmassen abgelesenen Barometerstände. Von J. J. Pohl und J. Schabus.
- Tafeln zur Reduction der in Millimetern abgelesenen Barometerstände auf die normal temperatur von 0° Celsius. Berechnet von J. J. Pohl und J. Schabus.
- Notizenblatt, 1851, Nos. 19—24. 1852, Nos. 1—10. Wien. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Nachrichten von der Georg-Augusts-Universität und der Königlichen Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen. Vom Jahre, 1851. Nos. 1—19. Göttingen. 8vo.—*From the Royal Society of Sciences, Göttingen.*
- Erste Säcularfeier der Königl. Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen, 29th Nov. 1851. Göttingen. 4to.—*From the same.*
- Species, Genera et Ordines Algarum. Auctore Jacobo Georgio Agardh. 3 vols. 1848, 1851, 1852. Lund. 8vo.—*From the Author.*
- Recensio Specierum Generis Pteridis. Auct. J. J. Agardh. 1839. Lund. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Archæologia; or Miscellaneous Tracts relating to Antiquity: published by the Society of Antiquaries of London. Vols. 33, 34. London, 1849—1852. 4to.—*From the Society.*
- Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of London. Vol. II. Nos. 18—32. 1849—1852. London. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Catalogue of the Library of the Royal Geographical Society: corrected to May, 1851. London, 1852. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Address at the Anniversary Meeting of the Royal Geographical Society, 24th May, 1852. By Sir R. I. Murchison, M.A. F.R.S., &c. &c. London, 1852. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Quarterly Journal of the Geological Society. No. 31. Vol. VIII. Part 3. Aug. 1, 1852. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland, 1852: To which is added a later communication from Lt. Col. Rawlinson, C. B., containing outlines of Assyrian History, from the Inscriptions of Nineveh; followed by some remarks by A. H. Layard, Esq. London, 1852. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Report of the Twenty-first meeting of the British Association for the

- Advancement of Science, held at Ipswich in July, 1851. London, 1852. 8vo.—*From the Association.*
- Det Kongelige Danske Videnskabernes Selskabs Skrifter: V. Række. Naturvidenskabelig og Mathematisk Afdeling. Andet Bind. Kiøbenhavn, 1851. 4to.—*From the Royal Danish Society of Sciences.*
- Abhandlungen der Math. Phys. Classe der Königl. Bayerischen Akademie der Wissenschaften. Band VI. Abth. 2. München, 1851. 4to.—*From the Royal Bavarian Academy of Sciences.*
- Bulletin der Königl. Akad. der Wissenschaften, 1851. Nos. 1—43. München. 4to.
- Gelehrte Anzeigen. Bände 32, 33. 1851. München. 4to.—*From the same.*
- Beobachtungen des Meteorologischen Observatoriums auf den Hohenpeissenberg, von 1792—1850. Von Dr. J. Lamont. München, 1851. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Statistique de la Belgique. *Population.* Mouvement de l'Etat Civil pendant les années 1845, 1849, 1850. 3 vols.
- Statistique de la Belgique. *Industrie.* Recensement General, 15 Oct. 1846. 1 vol.
- Statistique de la Belgique. *Agriculture.* Recensement General, 15 Oct. 1846. 1 vol.
- Publié par le Ministre de l'Intérieur. Bruxelles. Folio.
- Bulletin de la Commission Centrale de Statistique. Royaume de Belgique. Tomes III. IV. Bruxelles, 1847, 1851. 4to.—*From the Central Commission of Statistics, Belgium.*
- The Pharmacopœia of the United States of America. By Authority of the National Medical Convention held at Washington, A. D. 1850. Philada. 1851. 8vo.—*From the Committee of Revision and Publication of the National Medical Convention.*
- The American Journal of Science and Arts. Second Series. No. 42. Nov. 1852. New Haven. 8vo.—*From Profs. Silliman and Dana, Editors.*
- The Astronomical Journal. No. 49. (Vol. III. No. 1.) Cambridge, Oct. 23, 1852. 4to.—*From B. A. Gould, jr., Editor.*

Mr. Trego announced the death of the Hon. Daniel Webster, a member of this Society, who died at Marshfield, October 24, 1852, aged 71:—and, on motion of Dr. Harris, the Rev. H. A. Boardman was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of the deceased member.

Mr. Trego also announced the death of Mr. Isaac Wayne, a member of this Society, who died on the 25th ult., aged 83.

Mr. Trego exhibited to the Society some mineral specimens procured by Dr. Hammond, of the U. S. Army, from a volcanic region in New Mexico, between the waters of the Rio del Norte and the Gila, on the Pacific slope. Among them are specimens of garnets; beautiful for their fineness of colour and excellence of composition.

Dr. Hammond says, that in that part of New Mexico, the common potato (*Solanum tuberosum*), grows abundantly in a wild state, and is apparently indigenous in that region. Some of the tubers from this native growth have been sent to the President of an Agricultural Society in New York, for experiment in planting.

Mr. Henry D. Gilpin, on the part of Mr. Cogswell, librarian of the Astor Library in New York, stated that the Library has duplicates of the early volumes of the *Transactions* of this Society, which they would be glad to exchange for the *fourth*, and all after the *sixth* volume of the New Series:— which, on motion, was referred to the Librarian of the Society, with power to take order. Mr. Gilpin further reported the satisfactory condition of the Astor Library, which he had recently visited.

The Society then proceeded to the adjourned election of members:—when, on the proposition of two of those who had nominated No. 284, the balloting for that nomination was postponed until the meeting for election in January next.

The pending and new nominations were read.

All other business having been concluded, the ballot box was opened, and the following named gentleman was declared by the presiding officer to be duly elected as a member of the Society.

Lieut. M. F. MAURY, of the U. S. Navy.